

NASHVILLE, March 17, 1893.

Of the martyrs hung for alleged connection with the bridge-burning, only two had really anything to do with it. One of these, William C. Haun, applied for the benefit of a Methodist clergyman in his own choice previous to his execution. His petition was denied, the reply of the hangman being that "the prayers of a Tory and traitor to the South availed nothing." A clerical sympathizer with rebellion was finally forced upon him. When the victim stood upon the platform and had the fatal knot tied around his neck, this mocker of religion stepped forward and said that he was glad to state to the crowd that had assembled to witness the execution, that the unfortunate individual about to suffer the penalty of his wrongs had seen the error of his way and was repenting. Haun, with most energetic expression, exclaimed, "You are a liar. I never authorized you to make this statement. I merely expressed repentance for the real sins of my life. As to the burning of Lock Creek Bridge, for which I am about to be hung, I have state, as I have heretofore that I applied the torch. I felt it to be my duty to God to do it, and would do it again." These were his last words. What is courage upon the battlefield compared with such fortitude! The name of this martyr will live in history with those of the more successful of our generals.

The Parson states positively that the order of the Rebel Secretary of War directing "to hang in the cordillaries, and to keep their bodies suspended as near to the burned bridges as possible," a copy of which was obtained from Col. Woods, of the 15th Alabama

By this exploit, and the accompanying destruction of the telegraph, Morgan virtually isolated General Buell and his whole army from the North for two days. Is it not a crying shame that he was enabled to do so by the inexplicable neglect of General Buell to have the road properly guarded? One would think that the paramount importance of guarding the only regular and expeditious means of communication with the North (had the Cumberland accidentally been at a low stage of water the army would have been without any means of supply) should have been strongly and consistently would be apparent to every one. That the General-in-Chief has not perceived the necessity of it, and left the road unprotected from Bowling Green down, is ex-

the probability of the return of fugitive slaves by the army, the virtually liberation from servitude of the tens of thousands of contrabands, under the auspices of the Federal Government, the proposed abolition of Slavery in the District of Columbia—all stubborn facts, eminently indicative of the downfall of Slavery, and more potent in firming the convictions of the Secessionists than all the antiquated arguments in place before, but entirely out of place after the Rebellion, in full proof of the greater security of Slavery in the Union. *Fear and force* will soon be found to be the only means of making Rebels submit to Federal authority at this early stage of their ennobling by those mis-ridden pacificators.

ing Tennessee River, with troops, which they are reported to have landed at Savannah, near Purdy, &c., threatening the Memphis and Charleston and Mobile and Ohio Roads. Gen. Bragg commands our forces in that region."

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THE TENNESSEE RIVER EXPEDITION.
BEAUREGARD'S LINE OF DEFENSE--BEAUREGARD, FOLK, PELLOW, CHEATHAM, JOHNSTON, FREEMAN, AND WRIGHT AT CORENTH.

I am, I wish, to inform me that the Legislature was
 early to meet at such a time and place as I might
 designate, I deemed it my duty to remove the re-
 cords of the Government to and remove the Legisla-
 ture at this city, for the following reasons: The disas-
 ter to our arms at Fishing Creek had turned the
 right flank of our army, and left the country from
 Cumberland Gap to Nashville exposed to the ad-
 vance of the Union army.
 The fall of Fort Henry had given the enemy the
 communication of the Tennessee river, through

The United States dispatch steamer *Rhode Island* will sail from the Navy-Yard, Philadelphia, on the 11th inst. for the Atlantic Ocean, and will sail for the North Carolina about 100 strong. The purchased gun-boat *Fort Henry* and *Semey* will be put in commission to-day.